

thousand dollars, be and hereby is appropriated to be paid to the President and Visitors of the Maryland Hospital, to be used for protecting the foundations of said buildings, and improving the grounds immediately in connection thereto.

Sec. 4. *And be it enacted*, That the Treasurer, on the warrant of the Comptroller, shall disburse the several sums of money hereby appropriated to or upon the order of the President and Visitors of the Maryland Hospital; *provided*, that this amount shall be paid by the Comptroller on the order of the President and Visitors; *and provided*, said order is appended to an itemized statement on every account.

Sec. 5. *And be it enacted*, That for the purpose of paying the debts of the said Asylum, and providing for the expenditures provided in this Act, namely, sixty-three thousand dollars, a fund is hereby created to be called "The Maryland Insane Asylum Fund," and that the State Treasurer is hereby directed to issue registered bonds, or certificates of debt of the State, to an amount not exceeding sixty-three thousand dollars, to be countersigned by the Comptroller, in the name and in behalf of the State of Maryland, which bonds shall bear interest at the rate of six per centum per annum, payable semi-annually, on the first days of January and July, in each and every year, and be redeemable in not less than ten nor more than fifteen years, at the pleasure of the State, and which said bonds shall be exempt from State, municipal and county taxation, and shall not be sold for less than par value, exclusive of all commissions, and the proceeds passed to the credit of the Maryland Insane Asylum Loan, and the same to the extent of sixty-three thousand dollars, is hereby appropriated for the purpose of paying the subsisting debt of said institution, to the amount of fifty-three thousand dollars, and the balance is hereby appropriated for the purpose of the necessary grading around said buildings, and putting the grounds in order.

Sec. 6. *And be it enacted*, That for the purpose of providing for the payment of the interest on the loan hereby created, and for the further purpose of creating a sinking fund for the final redemption of the bonds or certificates of debt to be issued under the provisions of this Act, the sum of one-eighth of one per cent. on the hundred dollars, is hereby levied upon the whole taxable property of this State.

Sec. 7. *And be it enacted*, That the Governor, Comptroller and the Treasurer of the State, be and each of them is hereby requested and directed to visit, from time to time, the Maryland Hospital, and to examine its condition morally, medically and financially, and that the Treasurer and Comptroller report to the Governor its general condition.

Sec. 8. *And be it enacted*, That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage."